



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS
7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021**

HELD VIA VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 7:01 p.m., Mayor Fligor called the meeting to order.

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Mayor Fligor, Vice Mayor Enander, Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, and Weinberg

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Punhal Chaudry led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Fligor commented on remarks made by Council Member Lee Eng at the November 24, 2020 meeting and the resulting public outcry. She reported on the actions agreed to by Council Member Lee Eng in an effort to remedy and address the matter.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Fligor reported that although the Council did not meet in Closed Session on March 9, 2021, Mayor Fligor gave an update on the ongoing City Manager recruitment and reported that the Council subcommittee, comprised of Mayor Fligor and Vice Mayor Enander, had interviewed, and chosen a recruitment firm, Ralph Anderson and Associates, and that the Interim City Manager had entered into an agreement with the firm on behalf of the City for City Manager Recruitment services.

SPECIAL ITEMS

- Presentation of Proclamations
 - American Red Cross Proclamation
 - Women's History Month Proclamation
 - Youth Arts Month Proclamation

Mayor Fligor presented the Proclamations.

Ann Hepenstal introduced David Wells and Neil Katin, representing the American Red Cross, who commented.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the order of the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

The following individuals commented: Keenan Moos (with time ceded from Marie Young, Joe Beninato, Mike Abrams, and Howard Ki), Kioshi, Tara Dhillon, Christine Lenz, Deneva, Jill Woodford, Anthony Chau, Keven, Ella Maluf, Jen Aton, Joey Sangiacomo, Alex, Michelle Sturiale, Sunny, Salim, Stella Kalomiris, Renee Rashid (with time ceded from Natasha Khan), Kathy, Karen Solpon, Katherine Yen, Tanya Maluf, Cindy Sidaris. Maureen Griffin, Matt Beyer, Amber Joy, Travis Prater, Brigid Madder, Moira Huang, Premika Ratnam, Lestina, Anita Kapadia, Toni Moos, Jeanine Valadez (with time ceded from Brian Jones and Katie Cheng), Kevin Ma, and Elaine W.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Vice Mayor Enander removed from the Consent Calendar Item #4 *Resolution No. 2021-12 Supporting Cupertino Union School District Parcel Tax Measure on the May 4, 2021, ballot.*

Mayor Fligor announced that Item #4 would be considered following Item #10

1. Council Minutes: Approve the amended Minutes of the February 23, 2021, Regular Meeting
2. Grant Acceptance: Accept Grant in the amount of \$440 to the Youth Commission from Silicon Valley Clean Energy's Education Fund
3. Resolution No. 2021-11 Completion of FY 2019/20 Annual Street Resurfacing: Adopt Resolution accepting completion of the Fiscal Year 2019/20 Annual Street Resurfacing Project (Project TS-01001) and authorize the Engineering Services Director to record a Notice of Completion as required by law.
5. Contract Amendment: Financial Consulting Services: Authorize the Interim City Manager to execute a contract amendment with Eide Bailly LLP in an amount not to exceed \$446,880 (total contract amount not to exceed \$520,080) for financial consulting services.
6. Contract Amendment: Ongoing Accounting Services: Authorize the Interim City Manager to execute a contract amendment with Eide Bailly LLP in an amount not to exceed \$126,720 (total contract amount of \$195,400) for ongoing accounting services.

There were no members of the public wishing to comment on the Consent Calendar.

Vice Mayor Enander moved that the City Council approve Consent Calendar Items 1, as amended, 2,3,5, and 6. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Eng and the motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Enander, and Mayor Fligor.
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. Ordinance No 2021-474 Regulation of Boardinghouses: Hold Public Hearing to Introduce, and Hold first reading, as read by title only, and waive further reading, of an ordinance of the City of Los Altos regulating boardinghouses by amending Chapter 14.02 (General Provisions) and adding Chapter 14.31 (Boardinghouses) to the Los Altos Municipal Code and further find that adoption of the ordinance is exempt from CEQA pursuant to 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines. (G. Persicone)

Planning Services Manager, Persicone, provided a staff report and answered questions from the Council as did Community Development Director Biggs.

City Attorneys Houston and Ramakrishnan provided input and answered questions.

Mayor Fligor opened the Public Hearing and the following individuals provided input: Salim, Bryan Johnson, Mehruss Ahi, Roberta, Anne Paulson, Teresa, Terri Couture, Orta, Pete Dailey, Renee Rashid.

Mayor Fligor called for a recess at 9:32 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 9:42 p.m.

Jim Darby and Nancy Martin provided comments. Since there was no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Fligor closed the Public Hearing.

Mayor Fligor noted that the two ordinances included in the Council packet provided for an option to prohibit boardinghouses and the other provided for regulation of boardinghouses. She inquired of the Council if there was support for the prohibition of boarding houses. Vice Mayor Enander and Council Member Lee Eng stated that they could support the prohibition of boardinghouses. The other three Council Members indicated that they could not at this time support prohibition of boardinghouses and instead would rather establish regulations for boardinghouses within the City.

Discussion commenced. Council reviewed the proposed Ordinance labeled "Attachment B" in the packet and discussed various methods for staff to gather public input and conduct outreach to the community relative to the matter. Council provided direction to staff for various amendments to be incorporated into the ordinance and brought back to Council for consideration.

8. Emergency Measures for Addressing COVID-19: Receive an update from the Deputy City Manager and provide direction on additional potential measures to address COVID-19.

Deputy City Manager Maginot provided a presentation and answered questions from the Council.

Council Member Meadows provided vaccine information specific to Los Altos.

9. Construction Contract Award: Award the Base Bid for the Annual Street Striping Project (TS-01003) to Chrisp Company and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute a

contract in the amount of \$157,300.00 and up to a 15% contingency on behalf of the City -
Continued from February 23, 2021

Jim Sandoval, Engineering Services Director, and Jaime Rodriguez, Engineering Services, provided a staff report and answered questions from the Council.

The following individuals commented: Premika Ratnam, Audrey Chang, Margaret Capetz, Stacy Banerjee read a statement from Nalim Maluf, Chairperson of the Complete Streets Commission, Yash Shahani, Roberta, and Salim.

Council Member Weinberg moved that the Council Award the Base Bid, Annual Street Striping Project to Chrisp Company, authorize the Interim City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$157,300.00 and up to 15% contingency on behalf of the City and direct staff to return to Council 6 months after the bicycle improvements have been made on Almond Avenue to report back on and provide an assessment of the improvements and their impacts. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Enander and the motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Enander, and Mayor Fligor.
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

At 12:16 a.m., Mayor Fligor called for a break. Mayor Fligor reconvened the meeting at 12:21 a.m.

4. Resolution No. 2021-12 Supporting School Parcel Tax Measure: Adopt Resolution in support of Cupertino Union School District Parcel Tax Measure on the May 4, 2021 ballot.

Vice Mayor Enander and Council Member Lee Eng both stated that they did not think they could support the measure at this time given the economic hardships some individuals have been facing due to the pandemic. There was also concern and questions relative to the success of the measure at this time given that a similar measure had been defeated in 2020.

Lori Cunningham, Cupertino School District Board Trustee, provided information on the proposed tax and answered questions from the Council.

Vice Mayor Enander moved to adopt Resolution No. 2021-12 in support of the Cupertino Union School District Parcel Tax Measure on the May 4, 2021 ballot. The motion was seconded by Mayor Fligor and the motion passed 5-0 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Lee Eng, Meadows, Weinberg, Vice Mayor Enander, and Mayor Fligor.
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

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10. Legislative Committee Update and Position Letters: Consider Update from Council Legislative Committee and authorize letters to be sent on behalf of the Council relative to pending legislation regarding SB 9 and COVID-19 Federal and State Relief Bills.

Vice Mayor Enander and Council Member Weinberg provided information on the proposed letter and their differing positions on the matter.

The following members of the public commented: Renee Rashid, Salim, Anne Paulson, Pete Dailey, and Roberta.

Council reviewed the letter and provided input for amendments to the letter.

Mayor Fligor moved that the Council authorize the letter as amended be sent on behalf of the Council relative to pending legislation SB 9. The motion was seconded by Council member Meadows and passed with a 3-2 roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Council Members Meadows, Weinberg, and Mayor Fligor.
NOES: Council Member Lee Eng and Vice Mayor Enander
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Council Member Lee Eng stated that she did not support the letter because she felt that the letter as amended seemed to support SB9.

Mayor Fligor suggested that item #11 Los Altos Theater Working Group be continued to the March 23rd meeting. There was Council support to defer the matter.

12. Commission Appointments: Discuss and make appointments to various City Commissions.

Council discussion commenced. Council Members emailed preprinted ballots to Deputy City Manager Maginot who tabulated the results.

Mayor Fligor called for public comment. Roberta Phillips commented. There were no other members of the public wishing to speak.

While Deputy City Manager Maginot calculated the votes, the Council moved on to Informational Items.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY

- City's Response to the Californians for Homeownership's Letter dated February 12, 2021.

City Attorney Houston provided background information and provided her response.

- Tentative Council Calendar

There were no comments or action on this item.

12. Commission Appointments: Discuss and make appointments to various City Commissions.

Deputy City Manager reported that the votes of the Council resulted in the following appointments:

- Shiao Ping Lu voted to the Environmental Commission for a partial term expiring March 2022.
- John Claras voted onto the Financial Commission for one partial term expiring September 2021.
- Rita Pate and Rebecca Lowell voted onto the Joint Community Volunteer Service Awards Committee with terms expiring March 2025.
- Tanya Lindermeier, Teresa Morris, and Cindy Wang voted onto the Parks and Recreation Commission to terms expiring March 2025.
- William Buchholz voted onto the Senior Commission with a term expiring March 2023.

Deputy City Manager Maginot reported that two vacancies still existed - one on the Parks and Recreation Commission and one on the Senior Commission.

Mayor Fligor instructed the Council Members to email to Deputy City Manager Maginot 1 name for each of the two seats as their vote.

While Deputy City Manager Maginot calculated the votes, the Council moved on to the next agenda item.

COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Lee Eng reported that she had been chosen as the Alternate to the VTA Board.

There were no other reports.

Mayor Fligor stated that she would like an update at the next meeting from Chief Galea with regard to the implementation of the Police Task Force recommendations.

12. Commission Appointments: Discuss and make appointments to various City Commissions.

Deputy City Manager Maginot reported that the second round of Council voting resulted in Tony Li being voted onto the Senior Commission for a term expiring March 2023. He reported that 1 vacant seat remained on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mayor Fligor moved to appoint Jeanine Valadez to the Parks and Recreation Commission (with a term expiring March 2025). The motion was seconded by Council Member Weinberg and the motion passed 3-2 with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Council Members Meadows, Weinberg, and Mayor Fligor.
NOES: Council Member Lee Eng and Vice Mayor Enander
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:14 a.m., Wednesday, March 10, 2021, Mayor Fligor adjourned the meeting.

Neysa Fligor, MAYOR

Andrea M. Chelemengos MMC, CITY CLERK

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